

City of Wood Village Nov 2022

The Village News

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It all started with a simple question 15+ years ago, "How would you like to be on the Planning Commission?". Then a similar question came up again 7 years later. "Have you ever thought about running for City Council?". I was blissfully unaware of what the job entailed. I said sure, and after a quick election I was being sworn in at my first Council meeting. Through the last 8 years there has been more learning than I could have imagined; some easy decisions, some really



tough decisions and a lot of changes. One of the highlights of being on Council and a part that quite often gets a lot of discussion flowing is the planning of our events. Being a small city and having a focus on providing an enjoyable place for our citizens to live, we want the very best when it comes to the city sponsored events. The best part of being on Council has been the people. The team of City Councilors and the other half of the team made up by the great people on staff, work together to provide the best place to live for our citizens. Overall, it has been fun, but my time has come to step down and provide the opportunity for someone else to bring a new viewpoint & ideas to the Council.

Council President Bruce Nissen



COMMUNITY MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATIONS



Do you know a person or organization that has made Wood Village a better place? Is there an individual or group that is always helping those in need? If so, please consider nominating them for the Community Member of the Year Award. This award was established to acknowledge the important role that community volunteers and generosity have in helping create and sustain our unique and livable

community. The person or group does not have to live in or have a

business in Wood Village, but at least some of their service must benefit the people of Wood Village.

To nominate someone, please visit our website or stop by City Hall to complete the form. The deadline for nominees is Friday, December 2nd, at 4:30pm. The City Council will be reviewing all nominations at its December meeting and will select the winner for 2022. Please consider taking a few minutes to nominate someone, so that they may receive the recognition they deserve. Thank you to everyone who takes the time to make our community a better place to live!



Volunteers needed!

FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Did you know that you can influence the priorities and development of the City's park system? Or did you know that

you can help shape the City's budget and priorities? There's also a way to directly impact how the City looks and what future development might include. These tasks are accomplished by our various volunteer committees and boards. The City has a Budget Committee, Parks Commission, Planning Commission, and an Urban Renewal Board. Each one has at least one opening that you can apply to be on. You don't have to have any specific experience; you just need to have a passion for the community and a desire to learn. You can learn more about each board or commission on our website as well as how to apply. Applications are due Friday, December 2nd by 4:30pm. The Council will then review the applications in December and appoint the members in January. Come to City Hall or visit our webpage to learn more and apply!

VOLUNTEERS
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
SIGN UP TODAY!



MEET CHELSEA SLAUGHTER

I am excited to join the City of Wood Village team as the Utility Billing and Business License Office Specialist. Prior to coming to Wood Village, I worked for Providence Health & Services for eight years as an Account Resolution Specialist in their Portland office and five years at the Shane Company as an inventory control coordinator.

I was raised in Portland, majored in automotive at Benson high school and received a degree in Health Service Administration. When I'm not working you can find me exploring new books, hanging out with my dog Otis, and trying new restaurants.

I'm looking forward to getting to know the community and building new relationships.

AND CAROLINE HINDERS

As a new Oregonian, I am thrilled to join the City of Wood Village team as their Community Engagement and Enhancement Specialist. While my position with Wood Village is new to me, working for and engaging with the public is something I've long enjoyed. I previously served in dual roles as the Library Manager and Genealogy and Local History Specialist for the Mercer County District Library system in my home state of Ohio.

I just relocated to Portland this last June and am enjoying the Pacific Northwest lifestyle with my partner and our border collie. If my face seems familiar, it's possible you've seen me this summer at the Beaverton Farmers Market working for Scratch Meats. Outside of work, you can typically find me at home working on my family history, reading bizarro fiction books, or exploring all that Oregon has to offer – Portland neighborhoods, the coast, the mountains.

I sincerely look forward to continuing (and to creating) amazing community events and resources here in Wood Village. If you ever want to talk about the City or our community's needs, feel free to stop me at events to chat or reach out on the City website. As an Ohioan, I grew up in a small town and look forward to having that familiar feel again here in Wood Village.





DONALD L ROBERTSON CITY PARK SURVEY

The City wants to hear from you! The City wants to hear from its community members to understand how the Donald L. Robertson City Park is being used and what our community wants from the park in the future.

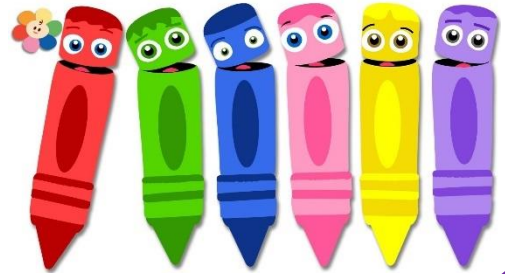
Please fill out the brief online survey (using this QR code or on our website) and be entered to win one of four Walmart gift cards.



This year the City of Wood Village is holding a Winter Coloring Contest for children up to age 18. The coloring pages can be found in the middle of the newsletter and be cut out to submit to the City. Children can color both pages but only one may be submitted for the contest. Please have all submissions dropped off to the Wood Village City Hall & Civic Center (24200 NE Halsey St) by Friday,

December 2nd

at 4pm. All submissions will be displayed in the Council Chamber at City Hall for our tree lighting event and will be up through the end of December. The winning contestants will receive a fun prize! Adult community members may submit a coloring page for display only. Winners will be notified by December 15th.



The City of Wood Village would like to thank the East County Food Pantry for its support and partnership of this year's Turkey

Meal Box program to provide the

communities of Wood Village and East County with free holiday meals. If you have registered for this year's Turkey Meal Box, pick up is on Monday, November 21 from 4:00-6:00 at the Smith Memorial Presbyterian Church, 2420 NE Fairview Ave, Fairview, OR.



LEAF DROP- THERE'S STILL TIME!

The Wood Village Annual Leaf Recycling
October 24th through December 31st

You might be saying to yourself "Yikes! Fall is almost over and my yard's still full of leaves!" Wood Village is here to help because the Leaf Drop is still going! Wood Village residents can bring leaves and other vegetative debris until December 31st.

Residents may drop off leaves and small branches – **NO TRASH PLEASE**. Adding your trash ends up costing you and the City extra money to sort. Transport containers should be taken with you.

The drop area is in the main parking lot against the wall north of the Play Area at Donald L. Robertson Park. Leaves should be left loose in the designated area.

If you have any questions, please call 503-489-6859 or email City@WoodVillageOR.gov.



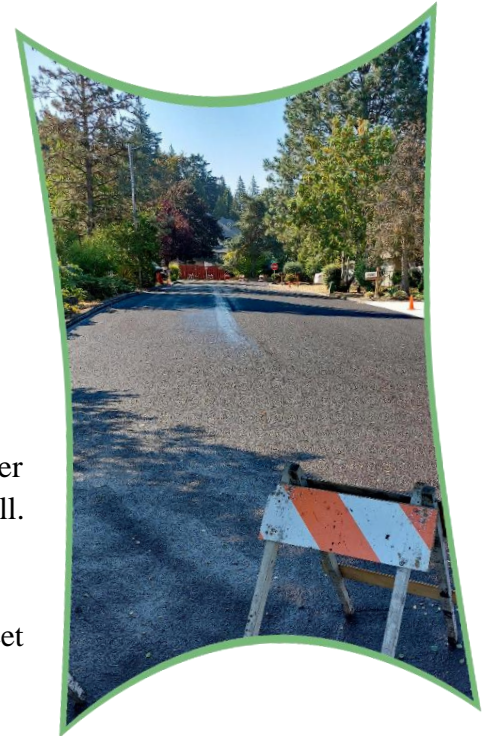
PAVEMENT PRESERVATION

This year, NE 236th Ave between Arata Rd and Shannon St was selected for surface repairs and treatments. Along with the slurry seal, cracks were filled, and targeted areas were fully removed and repaired with new base rock and asphalt. We want to give an extra thanks to those who live along the project streets. We know this was an inconvenience for residents and local traffic, but your sacrifice means the streets will be in great shape for many more years to come. This project was funded by the street utility fee that you see on your water

and sewer bill.

The fee's purpose is to invest in street maintenance projects that

improve and extend the life of roadways in the City. CR Contracting was awarded the contract, and we hope you're as pleased with the work as we are. The weather was great for all three phases of the project.



OVERALL SYSTEM CONDITION





UTILITY BILL RATE INCREASE

The January utility bill for water, wastewater, storm water, and streets will include a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) of 7.5%. This increase begins January 1, 2023 and applies to residential, senior, multi-family, business, etc. Increasing the bill every year allows for adequate capital replacement and maintenance for City utilities and avoids any drastic one-year increases.

Water fees for a typical single-family residence (600 cubic feet of water) will increase by \$2.29, wastewater fees by \$4.38 and street fees will increase by \$0.84. Information on commercial and multi-family rates will be posted on the City's website (WoodVillageOR.gov) by January. Please call City Hall at 503-667-6211 if you have any questions about your utility bill.



UTILITY BILLING & SHUTOFF PROCESS

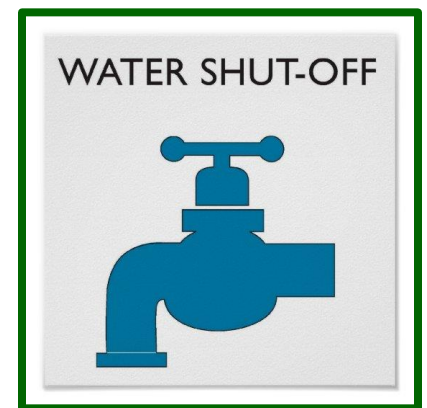
Since April 2020 the Wood Village City Council offered utility bill assistance by using city funds, PDX CARES act funds and American Rescue Plan Act funds. The City Council also suspended late fees and water shut offs during this time. These programs wound down in June 2022 after having distributed over \$250,000 in direct assistance. Late fees resumed in February 2022 and water shut offs for non-payment of City utility bills resumed in March 2022.

Utility bills are due on the 15th of every month. Late fees are generally assessed on the 25th to allow for mail delays and water shut off occurs one month after a late penalty was assessed.

As an example using the August utility bill:

- ✓ Mailed Aug 31st
- ✓ Due Sept 15th
- ✓ Late Fee Sept 25th
- ✓ Arrangement/payment deadline 4:30 pm Oct 24th
- ✓ Shut-off Oct 25th

The most important thing you can do if you are experiencing an issue in being able to pay is to call the City as soon as possible and to make sure we have an updated phone number to reach you. Reminder phone calls are made to the number associated with the account before water is shut off. There are still some limited financial assistance options available, and the City can make payment arrangements with any residential ratepayer who is behind on their bill if contacted before the shut off day.





Winter

HOLIDAY

2ND ANNUAL

MEAL BOX

CITY OF WOOD VILLAGE

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Accepting
Applications
Through

November 1-
November 30, 2022



SCAN TO
REGISTER

PICK UP INFORMATION

FRIDAY
DECEMBER 16
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

WOOD VILLAGE CITY HALL 24200 NE HALSEY
AND CIVIC CENTER WOOD VILLAGE, OR

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TO WOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY MEMBERS

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30 de Noviembre



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10:00 AM a 12:00 PM

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PLAYEAST!
East County Recreation

WINTER PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION OPENS 12/1

**SOCCER • BASKETBALL
PIANO • ART • CHEER
AND MORE!**

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

(Se habla español)



PlayEast.org



503-423-7323



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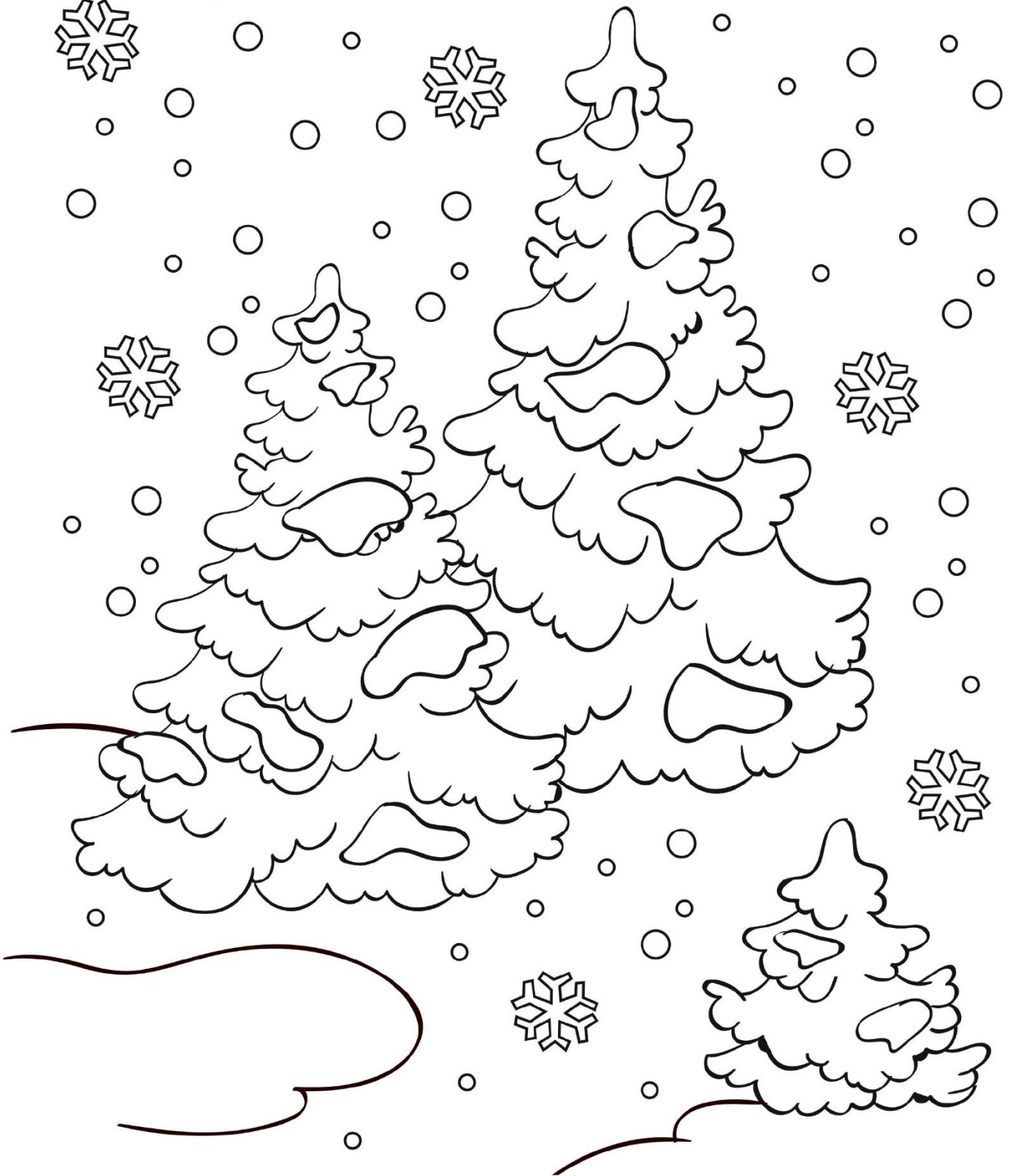


Name: _____

Return by Saturday, December 3
24200 NE Halsey, Wood Village, OR

WOOD VILLAGE

winter wonderland



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WOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY



Toy Drive



Accepting Donations Now Through
Saturday, December 3
at the Holiday Tree Lighting



Please donate new, unwrapped toys for local children for the upcoming holiday season

Drop-off Locations:

**Wood Village City
Hall & Civic Center**

24200 NE Halsey
Wood Village, OR
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Monday - Friday

woodvillageor.gov



WOOD VILLAGE COMMUNITY



Toy Drive



Pick-Up Starting
Saturday, December 10



For Wood Village & East County
community members in need of toy
gifts for the holidays

Pick-Up Location:

**East County
Food Pantry**

2420 NE Fairview Ave
Fairview, OR
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Every Saturday

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST



East County Food Pantry

PROVIDING CRITICAL FOOD
RESOURCES TO EAST COUNTY





SCAN ME

WOOD VILLAGE 12TH ANNUAL

Holiday Tree Lighting

AT WOOD VILLAGE CITY HALL & CIVIC CENTER
24200 NE HALSEY



Saturday
December 3, 2022
5:00pm - 7:00pm



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

woodvillageor.gov



Watch on Facebook Live



SCAN ME

WOOD VILLAGE 12TH ANNUAL

Holiday Tree Lighting

5:00 - 6:00 PM **MUSIC**

5:00 - 6:00 PM **REFRESHMENTS**

6:00 PM **VISIT FROM SANTA**

6:00 PM **TREE LIGHTING**



FALL YARD MAINTENANCE

Winter is coming...so it's time to prepare your yard before bad weather hits. Here are some tips for fall yard maintenance:



- 🍁 “Mulch” small amounts of leaves by mowing over them
- 🍁 Mow your lawn shorter by 1-2” in late fall
- 🍁 Stow your lawn furniture
- 🍁 Check your gutters for debris
- 🍁 Trim back overgrown weeds, vines, and tree limbs
- 🍁 Regularly clear heavy leaf falls
- 🍁 Utilize the City’s Annual Leaf Drop at Donald L. Robertson Park

GRAFFITI FREE WOOD VILLAGE

If you travel around the metro area, you will see quite a bit of graffiti. Here in Wood Village, our Public Works staff works diligently towards our goal of being a graffiti free community. We need the community’s help to report any sightings so we can quickly respond. It is the property owner’s responsibility to remove or cover graffiti that is on their own property. It is best to remove graffiti quickly, as it can help reduce future vandalism on your property.

To help with this, we offer graffiti cleaning kits free of charge that can be checked out from City Hall.

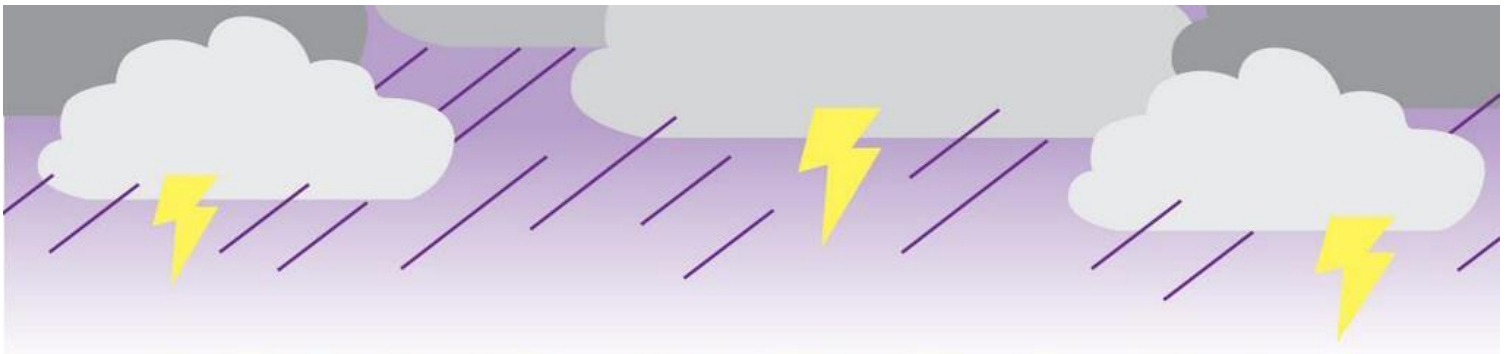
You can report graffiti online on our website WoodVillageOR.gov/departments/code-enforcement/report-graffiti or you can call City Hall at 503-667-6211.

TO PARK OR NOT TO PARK

We understand that parking can be a challenge sometimes. Please remember to be considerate of your neighbors and avoid blocking driveways, sidewalks, fire hydrants, or mailboxes. Did you know that it is prohibited in our City to park on the grass? Vehicles must be parked on approved surfaces such as your driveway, pavement, or gravel. It is also prohibited to park a vehicle on the street in the same spot for more than two days. We appreciate your attention to these details!

For additional information on laws and rules governing parking vehicles in the City of Wood Village, please call us at 503-667-6211 or read our Municipal Code Title 10 Vehicles and Traffic on our website at WoodVillageOR.gov.





DRIVING IN THE RAIN



1

TIME

Give yourself more time for heavy traffic due to rain

2

KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

If it hasn't rained in a while, road surfaces will be slick.



3

TIRES

Make sure tires are in good condition and are at the recommended inflation level. Driving on over-inflated or under-inflated tires reduces traction and control on wet pavement.

4

LIGHTS

Turn on your headlights to improve visibility.



5

WINDSHIELD WIPERS

Before heading out in wet weather, check your wipers for signs of damage. Make sure your defroster is functioning properly



6

SLOW DOWN

Driving through several inches of water at high speed can cause you to lose control of the car. If you hydroplane, ease off the gas, gently apply the brakes and steer straight ahead. After driving through a puddle, check that brakes are working properly by tapping them gently a few times.

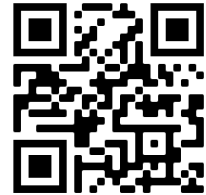




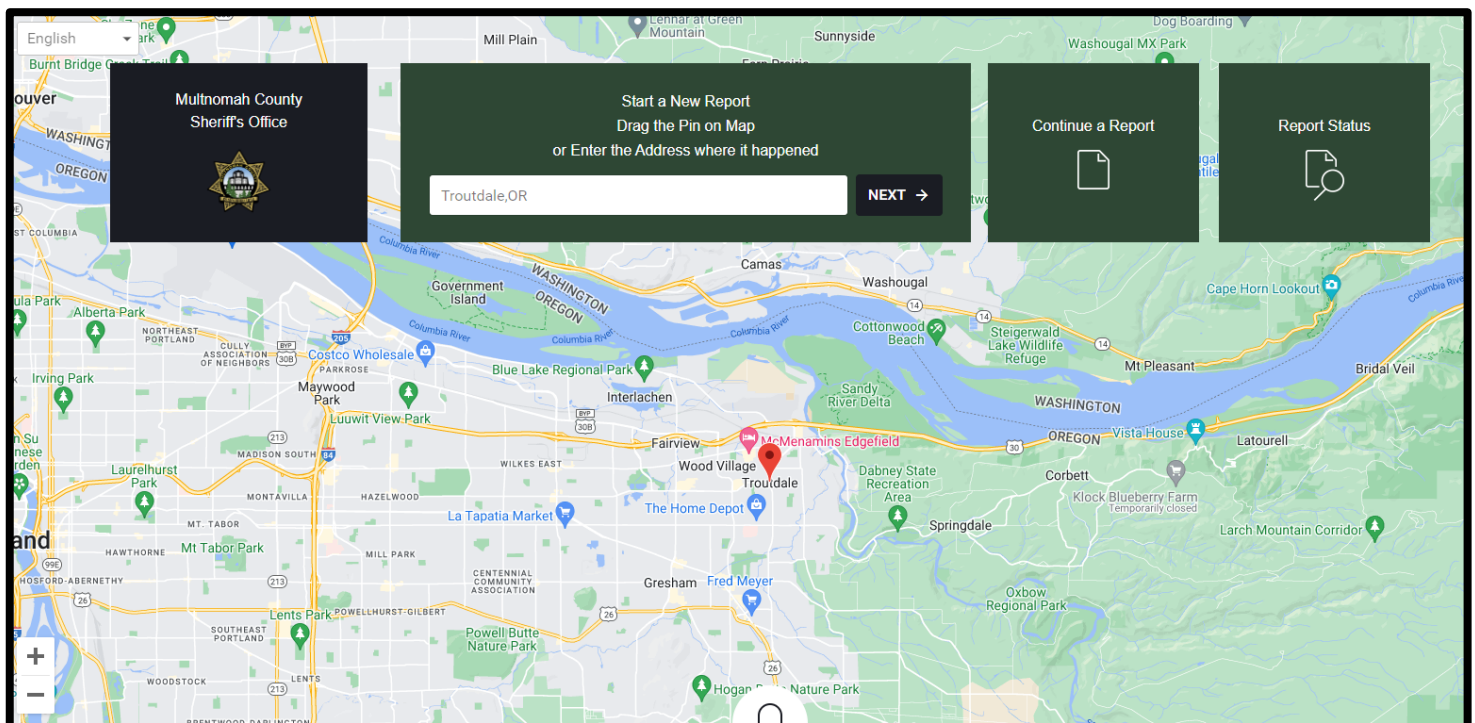
File A Police Report

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office provides an online, non-emergency crime reporting tool to the communities we serve. This allows you to file a police report online without having to call the non-emergency phone number. Self-reporting is limited to non-emergency incidents only, where there is no immediate danger to people or property.

- ❖ If you have been a victim in one of the following incidents, you can report the crime online:
- ❖ Lost or missing property (excluding prescription medication, firearms, or license plates)
- ❖ Theft, with no known suspects (excluding firearms, explosives or motor vehicles)
- ❖ Damaged property with no known suspects
- ❖ Vandalism to a vehicle
- ❖ Theft of vehicle parts (excluding lost or stolen license plates)
- ❖ Check forgery or fraud
- ❖ Identity theft
- ❖ Illegal use of a credit or debit card
- ❖ Fraud: Confidence games or scams
- ❖ Hit-and-run incidents to property or vehicles (not involving injury)
- ❖ Non-custody theft/shoplifting reports (for businesses only)
- ❖ To add additional property to a previously reported incident



Report non-emergency crimes on our website: mcso.mycasenumber.us.



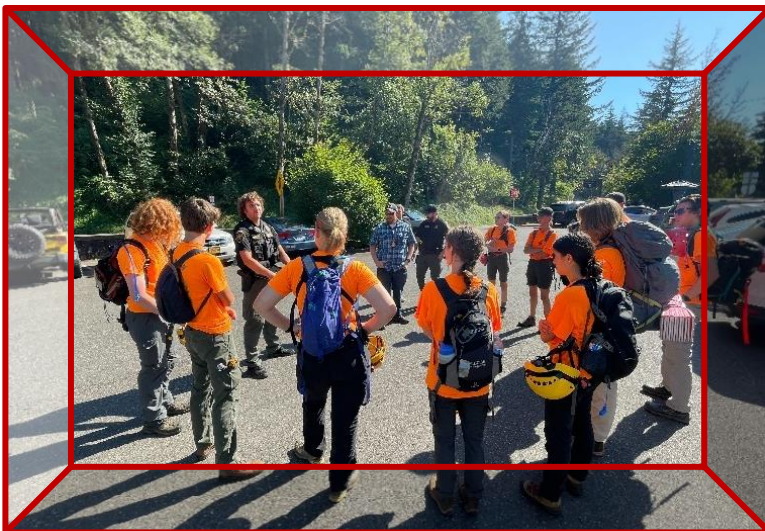
SEARCH AND RESCUE EFFORTS

Multnomah County Sheriff's Office sees concerning increase in search and rescue calls

The past year, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office responded to more search and rescue (SAR) calls than in any other year since the Eagle Creek Fire.

As of September, MCSO had responded to 18 SAR activations in Multnomah County. Fourteen of those were in the Columbia River Gorge, including 11 SAR activations since May, and 5 SAR activations in August. Two SAR activations involved responding to fatal falls.

"It has been an extremely busy year," Search and Rescue Coordinator Sergeant Brian Gerkman said. "We have not seen this activity since before the Eagle Creek Fire. Our search and rescue volunteers have done an exceptional job tackling trails in challenging conditions and circumstances."



Search and rescue members believe the increase in activations can be attributed to the higher visitation rates to the Columbia River Gorge, with trails reopening post-fire and renewed interest in the outdoors post-pandemic.

MCSO has found that the majority of people who need rescue are not prepared for trail and weather conditions or become disoriented and lost because they are unfamiliar with the area. Also, hazards still exist in areas burned by the Eagle Creek Fire.

When you are out exploring in the Gorge, make sure you have the Ten Essentials for Hiking:

- △ Navigation: map, compass, altimeter, GPS device, personal locator beacon (PLB) or satellite messenger
- △ Headlamp or flashlight: plus, extra batteries
- △ Sun protection: sunglasses, sun-protective clothes, and sunscreen
- △ First aid: including foot care and insect repellent (as needed)
- △ Knife: plus, a gear repair kit
- △ Fire: matches, lighter, tinder and/or stove
- △ Shelter: carry at all times, (can be a light emergency bivvy)
- △ Extra food: Beyond the minimum expectation
- △ Extra water: Beyond the minimum expectation
- △ Extra clothes: Beyond the minimum expectation

ALL ABOUT BUSINESS

We've got a lot of business to discuss! We're always happy to see new businesses join our community, and we're excited to welcome so many this year! Perfect Flush Plumbing joined our community at the Wood Village Business Center off Shea Ln, and five home businesses (Villas Landscaping, Empathy Care Homes, Schleich Exterior Cleaning, Healing Campos, and Andrew LLC) were established throughout the City. A new Starbucks will be opening soon next to Wal-Mart.

The Town Center also had a lot of activity this year. Sola Salon opened late last year, and they provide 40 studios for a wide range of beauty industry professionals. Since then, they've welcomed over 35 new beauticians to their location at 1110 NE Wood Village Blvd. Jersey Mike's Subs and The Joint Chiropractic recently opened at the SW section of the Town Center. Soon we'll be seeing more store fronts here as well as the Wood Village Design Review Board recently approved Chick-fil-A's application to build on the empty lot south of Sola Salon. We also received a Design Review application to build a Chipotle on the lot just South of Chick-fil-A's proposed location.



HOLIDAY RECYCLING & GARBAGE SERVICE

Garbage and recycling are collected on all holidays except Christmas and New Year's Day. If your collection day falls on or after Christmas or New Year's Day, collection will be one day later that week with Friday customers being serviced on Saturday.

Tree Recycling

Curbside Waste Management customers may recycle trees in place of regular yard debris set out at no extra charge. Trees over 6 feet tall must be cut in half. There will be an extra fee for any additional yard waste collected the same week as your tree. Flocked trees are accepted as extra garbage pickup for an extra fee per six-foot sections. Trees with tinsel or ornaments may not be recycled; remove those items. Don't have curbside service, use the find a recycler tool from Metro tinyurl.com/RecyclerWV to find an easy option.



'Tis the season to recycle right

Clean recycling tips for the holidays

Naughty list (trash only)

Bows and ribbons
Tissue paper
Foil wrapping paper
Styrofoam/bubble wrap
To-go cups/containers

Nice list (recycle cart)

Paper gift bags
Cardboard
Plastic bottles/tubs
Metal cans
Newspaper

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City Council Meetings:

Nov 10th 6:00 PM
 Dec 13th 6:00 PM

Wood Village City Hall

Water & Sewer	503-667-6211	Emergency	911
Building Permits	503-667-6211	Sheriff Non-Emergency	503-823-3333
Other Services:		Abandoned Vehicles	503-823-3333
Waste Management	503-249-8078	Mental Health Call Center	503-988-4888
Ziply	866-699-4759	Animal Control	503-248-3066
PGE	503-228-6322	DEQ Burning Info	503-618-3083
Power outages	503-464-7777	Commissioner Stegmann	503-988-5213
Streetlight outages	503-736-5710	Reynolds School District	503-661-7200
NW Natural	503-226-4212	Gresham Fire Dept	503-618-2355
211 Info	211info.org	East County Resolution	503-618-3247

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